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RESPONSE

The following is responsive to the Examiner's action mailed December 20, 1999.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Add claims 163-299 in Appendix I.

Add claims 300-400 in Appendix II.

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REMARKS

A Supplemental Declaration was filed October 7, 1999 (copy attached).

New claims 163-299 have been added. The new independent claims are claims 163, 195, 225 and 258. These claims include references to the protein being 'serum' albumin, the protein concentration, the crosslinker concentration and crosslinker molecular weight range, and the burst strength. Applicants understand that these claims, along with the original patent claims 1-17, are in condition for allowance.

In addition, new claims 300-440 have been added. The independent claims are claims 300, 333, 364 and 398. These claims include references to protein concentration and the crosslinker concentration. They are not limited to 'serum' albumin and do not include reference to burst pressure.

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